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PATENT APPLICATION**

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

A MECHANISM FOR INTER-FAB MASK PROCESS MANAGEMENT

the specification of which: (check one)

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(Application Number)

(Filing Date)

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign applications for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below, any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or any PCT

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international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

| Prior Foreign Application Number(s) | Country | Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY) | Priority Claimed |
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